

HR 1120

To enhance interstate commerce by creating a National Hiring Standard for Motor Carriers.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice. (Mar 31, 2015)

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Sponsor

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Rep. Meadows, Mark [R-NC-11]	R · NC		Feb 26, 2015
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Rep. Costello, Ryan A. [R-PA-6]	R · PA		Apr 21, 2015
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Rep. Rokita, Todd [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Jun 24, 2015
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Rep. Marchant, Kenny [R-TX-24]	R · TX		Jun 25, 2015
Rep. Young, David [R-IA-3]	R · IA		Jun 25, 2015
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Rep. Massie, Thomas [R-KY-4]	R · KY		Sep 24, 2015

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 31, 2015
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 27, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 26, 2015)

Prohibits a state from enforcing a law or imposing liability on an entity that hires a motor carrier for the transportation of property or household goods if the liability arises from a personal injury, death, or cargo or other property damage claim or cause of action related to the negligent selection of that motor carrier under state law or regulation.

Specifies as such an entity any person acting as a shipper, as a broker, as a consignee, a freight forwarder, a household goods freight forwarder, a Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier, an ocean freight forwarder, an ocean transportation intermediary, an indirect air carrier, a licensed customs broker, an interchange motor carrier, or a warehouse.

Makes an entity eligible for this immunity from liability only if, before tendering a shipment, but not more than 35 days before the hired motor carrier picks up a shipment, the entity verifies that the motor carrier at the time of verification:

- is registered with and authorized by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) to operate as a motor carrier or household goods motor carrier,
- has the minimum insurance coverage required by federal regulation, and
- does not have an unsatisfactory safety rating from FMCSA in force at the time of verification.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 31, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **Feb 27, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
- **Feb 26, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 26, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.